

City of Hampton  
 Workshop Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.  
 Organizational Meeting & Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

**Workshop Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.**

**Present: Mayor Hutchison, Councilpersons: Mitcham, Meeks, Byrd, Hearn, Walls and Daniel.  
 Also present City Attorney, Scott Mayfield, City Clerk, Kim Drinkall, City Manager,  
 Andy Pippin and Chief of Police, Rad Porter.**

**Mayor Hutchison called the workshop to order at 6:00 p.m.**

**Councilperson Mitcham made a motion; seconded by Councilperson Meeks, to amend the agenda to remove discussion of the water tank maintenance agreement. The motion passed unanimously (6-0).**

**Mr. Don Ash, Director of Emergency Management of Henry County, stated the purpose of the Henry County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Plan was to:  
 Develop a stand-alone plan that included the participating jurisdictions and the county; increase public awareness; maintain grant eligibility for participating jurisdictions; update plans in accordance with CRS requirements; and maintain compliance with State and Federal legislative requirements for local hazard mitigation plans.**

**Mayor Hutchison discussed with Council cell phones. He is asking for the City to furnish cell phones to the Mayor and Council. He is not asking for anything fancy just something he can communicate with the Council. He stated right now if the Council uses their personal phone for City business then it could be subject to open records requests. The City Attorney stated if their personal cell phones were used for City business then only that portion would be subject for open records request. The City Manager stated that we are subsidizing the Councils personal plan right now and basically we are just asking for phones like we furnish for some of our employees now. Councilperson Mitcham said for the record the Council receives \$25.00 now for their personal phones.**

**The Mayor asked the Council to consider having two meetings a month; and moving the meeting dates from the first Tuesday of the month to the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month. He stated the first meeting would be strictly a workshop meeting and the seconding meeting would be the regular meeting.**

**Councilperson Mitcham stated the Council needed to set a time and place for the allday Work Session that is scheduled for January 18, 2014. The consensus of the Council was to start the meeting at 9:00 a.m. and to hold it at the Depot if it was available.**

**Chief of Police, Rad Porter, gave the Mayor and Council his monthly report.**

**Public Works Director, John Spraggins gave his monthly report which included hanging the Christmas lights, fixing 6 water leaks, completing 86 work orders, and 5 sewer calls . He also stated because of the cold weather they have had, so far, 65 calls for busted water pipes.**

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**The City Manager, Andy Pippin stated that he appreciated the City crew for all of their work especially having to go out in this cold weather to fix leaks.**

**The Main Street Director, Candy Franklin gave her monthly report, stating she had over 350 volunteer hours. The Christmas Parade had over 6,000 people to attend. She stated that the Disco Chocolate Emporium would be held February 15, 2014 from 7:00p.m. - 9:00 p.m. The tickets will cost \$10.00 each. Ms. Franklin also stated that the 6<sup>th</sup> annual Pollen Festival would be held March 22, 2014.**

**Councilperson Mitcham made a motion; seconded by Councilperson Byrd, to go into executive session to discuss personal, possible litigation, and real estate. The motion passed unanimously (6-0).**

**Mayor Hutchison adjourned the workshop meeting at 6:27p.m.**

**Councilperson Mitcham made a motion; seconded by Councilperson Meeks, to call the workshop back to order at 6:58 p.m. The motion passed unanimously (6-0).**

**Councilperson Mitcham made a motion; seconded by Councilperson Meeks, to adjourn the workshop meeting at 6:59 p.m. The motion passed unanimously (6-0).**

#### **Organizational Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.**

**The City Clerk, Kim Drinkall, called the 2014 Organizational Meeting to order at 7:00p.m.**

**Steve Hutchison Mayor elect was sworn in for a 4 year term.**

**Zakery Daniel elect Councilperson was sworn in for a 2 year term.**

**Re-elected Councilmembers Mary Ann Mitcham, Charlie Hearn and Marty Meeks were sworn in for a 4 year term.**

**City Prosecuting Attorney, Scott Mayfield was sworn in for 2014.**

**The City Clerk turned the Organizational Meeting over to the Mayor.**

**Mayor Hutchison re-appointed for 2014; Andy Pippin as the City Manager, Kim Drinkall as the City Clerk and Rad Porter as the Chief of Police.**

**Mayor Hutchison thanked Councilmember Mitcham for acting as Mayor Pro-Tem.**

**Mayor Hutchison appointed Councilmember Meeks as Mayor Pro-Tem.**

**Mayor Hutchison assigned the following Councilmembers to Committees:**

#### **Administrative & Finance Committee:**

**Councilmember Meeks & Councilmember Daniel**

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**Public Safety Committee:**

**Councilmember Hearn & Councilmember Meeks**

**Community Service & Recreation Committee:**

**Councilmember Mitcham & Councilmember Walls**

**Environment & Sanitation Committee:**

**Councilmember Walls & Councilmember Byrd**

**Electric, Water & Sewer Committee:**

**Councilmember Byrd & Councilmember Hearn**

**Public Buildings & Property Committee:**

**Councilmember Byrd & Councilmember Hearn**

**Educational Committee:**

**Councilmember Mitcham & Councilmember Daniel**

**Mayor Hutchison closed the Organizational meeting and opened the Regular Council Meeting, Pastor David Fulton gave the invocation.**

**Public Comment:**

**Ms. Boss from Heritage Place Homeowners Association thanked the Council and the City Manager for all of their work at getting them their club house back. They appreciated everything that was done for them.**

**Community Development Director, JD Matthews, presented the Mayor and Council a check in the amount of \$162.00. She stated this was for scrap metal that was collected during the Hampton Clean-Up day.**

**Ms. Linda Dodgen, 15 Shelby Street, thanked the Hampton Police Department for their quick response to a situation her daughter experienced while at home alone. She stated 3 officers showed up within minutes of her daughter calling 911. Ms. Dodgen stated the officers were thorough and very professional. Ms. Dodgen commended Chief Porter and his officers.**

**Mayor Hutchison acknowledged Senator Jefferies, and Representative Welch asking them if they wished to speak. Representative Welch gave the Mayor and Council an overview of what was going to happen when they are back in session. Mayor Hutchison thanked them for coming.**

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**District 1 Commissioner B. Moss was present and gave Mayor and Council a briefing of what was going on in his district.**

**Councilperson Mitcham made a motion; seconded by Councilperson Hearn, to approve the December 03, 2013 minutes of the Workshop/Regular meeting as published. The motion passed 5-0, Councilperson Daniel abstained from voting.**

**Councilperson Mitcham made a motion; seconded by Councilperson Meeks, to amend the agenda to remove voting on the water tank maintenance agreement. The motion passed unanimously (6-0).**

**Councilperson Meeks made a motion; seconded by Councilperson Byrd, to approve the request from Mr. Guang Si Li for a malt beverage/wine by the drink licenses for Saki Japanese Steakhouse located at 1 East Main Street. The motion passed unanimously (6-0).**

**Councilperson Hearn made a motion; seconded by Councilperson Mitcham, to approve Resolution 13-13, a resolution to authorize the expenditure of General Funds for the payment of City projects and to use sales tax proceeds or funds from tax exempt obligations issued by Henry County to reimburse the City's General Fund for expenditures made by the City for City projects. The motion passed unanimously (6-0).**

**Councilperson Byrd made a motion; seconded by Councilperson Meeks, to approve Resolution 14-01; a resolution of the Henry County Emergency Management Agency for the Hazard Mitigation Plan application for the five year plan update for Henry County. The motion passed unanimously (6-0).**

**Councilperson Mitcham made a motion; seconded by Councilperson Walls, to approve the 2014 Workshop / Regular Council meeting dates to be held the first Tuesday's of each month starting with the workshop at 6:00 p.m., followed by the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. The motion passed unanimously (6-0).**

**Councilperson Mitcham; made a motion, seconded by Councilperson Byrd, to approve the purchase of a Police truck to be reimbursed with SPLOST. The motion passed unanimously (6-0).**

**Councilperson Meeks made a motion; seconded by Councilperson Mitcham, to approve the bid from McCranie Doors for 3 10x10 solid garage doors for the old fire station. During discussion, it was decided that these doors should be insulated, without glass. The motion failed (0-6). Councilperson Meeks made a motion; seconded by Councilperson Byrd, to approve the bid from Advantage Doors for 3 10x10 raised panel solid insulated doors for the old fire station. The motion passed 5-0 with Councilperson Hearn abstaining from voting.**

**Councilperson Mitcham made a motion; seconded by Councilperson Daniel, to authorize purchasing phones for the Mayor and City Council. The motion passed 4-2 with Councilpersons Daniel, Mitcham, Meeks and Byrd voting yes; and Councilpersons Walls and Hearn voting no.**

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**Councilperson Meeks made a motion; seconded by Councilperson Walls, to accept the resignation letter from Ms. Linda Dodgen from the Ethics Committee. The motion passed unanimously (6-0).**

**Councilperson Meeks made a motion; seconded by Councilperson Hearn, to accept the recommendation of the Mayor and appoint Ms. Judy Lewis to the Ethics Committee. The motion passed unanimously (6-0).**

**Councilperson Mitcham made a motion; seconded by Councilperson Byrd, to go into executive session to discuss personal, possible litigation, and real estate. The motion passed unanimously (6-0).**

**The regular workshop meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.**

**Councilperson Mitcham made a motion; seconded by Councilperson Meeks, to call the regular meeting back to order. The motion passed unanimously (6-0).**

**Mayor Hutchison called the regular meeting back to order at 8:14 p.m.**

**Councilperson Mitcham made a motion; seconded by Councilperson Hearn, to adjourn the regular meeting. The motion passed unanimously (6-0).**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.**

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**Steve Hutchison, Mayor**

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**Kim Drinkall, City Clerk**